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## THE PROGRESS OF THE PARTY IN MILWAUKEE

Reverting to local affairs, again—and it is a matter that concerns the movement at large—will our Social Democrats please cast their eyes over the little tabulation below, and ask themselves whether a progressive Socialist programme and an intense propaganda with literature, coupled with good and healthy organization work looking toward the goal of labor emancipation is not worth while.

Here is the table of party progress in Milwaukee.

Spring, 1898, Social Democracy, for mayor.....	2430
Spring, 1900, Social Dem. party, for mayor.....	2585
Fall, 1900, Social Dem. party, for governor.....	4667
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*Incomplete.	

These figures indicate a normal, reasonable growth and are eminently satisfactory to the workers in the movement in the city of Milwaukee. There are no jumps, no reverses, only a fine advance. The oak, which endures, grows slowly. The mushroom that withers away comes up over night. Today every man in Milwaukee is a Social Democrat.

The American Tobacco Company, otherwise known as the Tobacco Trust, which has grown fabulously wealthy from the modern profit system, while being "a great public benefactor" through giving the men, women and children operatives who actually produce its wealth the opportunity to keep at work while many other human wealth-producing machines were even denied that boon, has offered France a cool \$85,000,000 for the tobacco monopoly of that country. France, the same as Austria, maintains a government monopoly of the tobacco business and it makes \$65,000,000 annually out of it. The profit of the American trust in this country last year was \$6,471,114. What a situation it is! The workers beat over their tasks, or too tired at night to read much, do not see it, and their "partnership" in the production of this wealth is altogether too unequal and silent to give them access to the books. Theirs is the stress of the work, the long hours, the risk to health, and the anxiety and uncertainty of livelihood, but in the "divvy" their portion is "a living wage," capital's the millions, and all the advantage such a portion means.

While the worker, fearful for even the next day to come, is burdened with the problem of bread and butter, his "partners" the trust magnates, are preparing to add to their conquest of the American market by an invasion of foreign countries. In England the American is after the solar plexus of the British tobacco trust, and to accomplish this is agreeing to divide with the masters all its profits, with a nice little million thrown in. An ultimate world monopoly will probably grow out of it.

A serious phase of the trust question for the workman is the fact that it takes from him the chance to work for more than one boss. He can have but one employer, and failing that, none at all! Abject indeed is the industrial slavery of the man who must keep on good terms and submit uncomplainingly to one master, or go forth a worker without work. Compared with this wrong the things the people of 1776 revolted against were tame indeed.

"Every year there are dumped upon our shores foreign scraps of humanity from all over the world," is the continuous utterance of the Iron Age, an ultra-capitalist trade paper.

Every immigrant who comes to our shores brings with him two good working hands and only one month. The hands can produce much more than the month can consume, and inasmuch as all working people today spend more of their work hours' producing profit for the exploiting class than for producing the amount which falls to them in the form of wages, it would seem that the employing capitalists would view the worker as a thing to be thankful for, but they don't, in many instances. Especially when the reserve army of out-of-work is already large enough. That is, when there is no stringency in the labor market and just enough men over who have no jobs, to compete for the places already filled and thus to keep the rate of wages down. When this is the condition of things the class feeling of the capitalists finds expression in such brutal utterances as we have quoted above.

The Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railway Company last week raised the salaries of its machinists and apprentices at the West Milwaukee shops five per cent, some 300 men being affected by the increase. This "happened" the day before election. There is no man who is informed an economics and industrial statistician, but knows that these men by their industry produce large amounts of wealth compared to which their pay is a miserable pittance. So long as the men can be kept satisfied through believing that they are making a good bargain when they give their fruitful labor for a living wage, all well and good. But there are wicked agitators abroad who dare to say that the workers are through necessity, it is true) driving hard bargains, and that they should have their social due share of the wealth they produce. The increase in Socialistic sentiment in Milwaukee during the campaign just past disturbed the capitalists much more than they were willing to admit, and the game of getting the men back on the "right path" with a slight increase in pay was resorted to, in the Allis-Chalmers shop and then good!

During the campaign just closed in Milwaukee our comrades had opportunity to see how a paper of capitalistic proclivities and making claims to decency, could wilfully lie about facts and distort them—and manufacture them. This paper, The Milwaukee Journal, was very assiduous less than a year ago with its sympathy for labor, printing all the labor news it could get and on the strength of it, making a systematic bid for workingmen's subscriptions. Succeeding in this, it threw off its mask and attempted to swing those workingmen readers round into labor-shooters Rose's net, to be also pinched of their vote. When David Rose railed at his opponents "he made a telling address,"

but when Howard Tuttle, the social Democrat, spoke, it was a "sensational harangue."

From May 1900 to June 1901, 245 American soldiers were killed in the Philippines and 490 were wounded. During the same period 3854 Filipinos were killed and 1193 wounded. You see the men of the Western island, for the "crime" of wanting to govern and own themselves, have been shot down like rabbits by an unequalled effective force. The unwritten law of fighting, about "taking a fellow of your size," does not apply.

Under a Socialistic regime such a horrid decimation of human lives in the hollow name of freedom would be impossible. Truly, there is no time to lose in our effort to get possession of this government.

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If you were to believe the economic masters of the day there is always room at the top and it is entirely the working-man's fault that he has not reached that eminent station instead of slaving at the bottom trying like blazes to keep his nose above water. With the exercise of diligence and honesty any man can become rich, say the patronizing plutocrats, and some workingmen are stupid enough to believe it, even though exercising diligence and honesty in their everyday lives and still not getting ahead.

"Probably the strongest labor city in this country is Alton, Ill., where 70 per cent. of the voters are union men," we are informed.

The value of a thing and the measure of its value is proven by its fruits. If our brethren in Alton have not used their preponderance in numbers to take political possession of their city and use its legislative and administrative functions to better the condition of the working class, and to give them material strength to carry on the class war for labor's complete emancipation, then the crime of omission is on their heads. So far we have heard nothing to indicate a wise exercise of strength at Alton. The sharpness of the fight for a mere living is doubtless felt there as everywhere else. If it's a case of "no politics in the union," then it is clear that while it may be the "strongest" labor city, that strength is controlled by the capitalists.

And then the working people are also to be commiserated.

There is no denying that many members of the working class deposited Rose ballots, although he owes his election largely to the influences of business interests. It is a pitiful fact that a man of his record could get a single working-man's vote. What is his record from the laborer's standpoint? He first comes to Milwaukee as a militia man under arms and under the orders of the governor who had the power to command the soldiers to shoot down working people in revolt against almost intolerable conditions. In fact, under such orders actually given citizens of Milwaukee were shot down in cold blood. Rose was not known then and later, when a resident of the city, was elected mayor on a promise of municipal street ownership. Then followed his well-known sell-out to the street railway monopoly and his re-election with the help of street railway money. His record with regard to labor interests has been bad, his administration of city affairs has been inept, and in the campaign just closed he had plainly a gain on with the manufacturers of the city to baffle them in case of coming to power.

And yet such a man, with his aristocratic and perfumed attire, was able to get the votes of a good many laboring men!

A very interesting election was held in Chicago Tuesday, in which a referendum was taken as to whether the city should own its traction lines, city light, etc., and also whether in future candidates for office should be chosen by direct ballot.

The vote in Chicago, as summarized, is as follows:

Votes cast, adenemic candidates.....	204,370
Votes cast, township abolishment.....	183,281
Votes cast on referendum.....	150,591
Votes for township abolishment.....	59,793
Majority for public ownership trac.....	9,483
Votes cast, public ownership trac.....	98,607
Majority for public ownership trac.....	104,743
Majority for nominations by direct.....	103,221
Early indications point to a vote of.....	6250

Majority for the Socialist party in Chicago.

The face of returns in the city election in Milwaukee shows the usual low political bargaining characteristic of capitalistic methods. The Democrats went into a deal with a wing of the Republicans whereby the La Follette Republicans got votes for their judicial candidate in return for votes given by La Follette followers to the Democrats for David Rose. The deal can plainly be shown on the returns of almost every precinct. No wonder Rose was able to predict the amount of his plurality.

The election of a Democratic mayor will not be such a blow to the managers of the Republican party—the street railway magnates—only their own candidate for mayor would have been subservient to their interests as a matter of course,

and would not have to be bought, while the re-election of Rose means a man in control of the city machine "who comes high," according to reports. But they must have him.

Some years ago the complaint the lawyers made against the Supreme court of Wisconsin was that the justices on the Supreme bench had a habit of sleeping during the hearing of cases. They would miss half the arguments made before them by the attorneys.

Today the complaint is a far more serious one and one that bodes no good to the working class. The claim now is that the Supreme bench is occupied by corporation judges. Whenever vacancy has occurred in recent years the corporation interests have seen to it that corporation lawyers were put in. They even went so far, in one glaring instance, to have Lawyer of Racine take up his residence in Milwaukee for a few weeks before the appointment, so that he could be appointed as a Milwaukee man, it having been settled that Milwaukee was entitled to the appointment at that time. The Supreme bench of Wisconsin today is filled with men who have been the paid attorneys of the big lumber kings, the big railroad corporations, the life insurance interests, the banks, and so on. How little the laborers know of all this, and yet these sleek and dignified judges forge the fetters to keep the working class down.

Financial conditions, forced upon it by the tax-dodging proclivities of the wealthy anarchists, are compelling the authorities of Chicago to look cheerfully upon the elimination of money in some of the public departments and the adoption of a system of exchange of service. The municipality wants to exchange water for court fees. It offers to furnish water to the county institutions free of charge in consideration of getting its business done in the courts also free of charge. These gentlemen are raising a storm about their heads. They are in danger of being called dreamers and Social Democrats.

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After twelve years devoted to the cause of militant Socialism, Comrade A. S. Edwards last week retired from the editorial staff of the Social Democratic Herald to accept a responsible position with the Campbell Press of Chicago. He was as reluctant to leave his comrades in Milwaukee as they were to have him go, but his family were in Chicago, where his son, Hay Edwards, has a growing publishing business, and this weighed heavily with him in coming to a decision. Moreover, he felt that he had earned a rest, having been in harness in the cause of Socialism for so many of the best years of his life. He has promised to write for our columns as frequently as possible, as continuous service on the paper from its first issue down to the present makes it dear to him.

Comrade Edwards was one of the original Bellamyites, being a member of a Nationalist club at Minneapolis. He was a Knights of Labor man when that organization gave promise of leading the working class to emancipation through Socialism, and was later associated with J. A. Wayland when he issued the first numbers of the Coming Nation at Greensburg, Ind. Later, when Wayland left the Ruskin colony, he was called to edit the Coming Nation, which remained the colony's property, and spent years in the Tennessee experimental community. His career since has been interwoven with that of the Social Democratic party.

In another part of this issue we print a secret circular issued by the metal trades capitalists and calling for "united action" against the labor bill in Congress, which relates to "conspiracy" and the regulating of the issuance of injunctions by venial judiciary. Congress will not pass such bills, of course, while the laboring masses have no representatives there, but the iron and steel lords do not intend to take my chances, which means that they will be willing to buy up a few congressmen, if any of the latter attempt blackmailing tactics.

The moral to this is, of course, plain. The working class is helpless so far as legislation is concerned, while the lawmakers are all owned by the capitalistic parties. Every little while some "wise" fellow bobs up in a union meeting with a request that congressmen be petitioned in favor of the passage of this or the other measure. Sometimes the mover of such a resolution is not only "wise," but "sly" as well. He is a representative of the genius labor fakir, who hopes to keep the workers on the old track, so he can stand in with the old parties round election time, when there are corruption funds to be disbursed.

But a new vision is coming to organized labor. Its members see better than they used to. It is a better way to elect their own representatives to make the laws than to implore, beg and whine to old party vote holders elected by workingmen.

The situation in Italy has become more serious, as the result of Socialist tactics, and the crisis is only postponed. The surrender of the Liberal government to the Socialists' demand constitutes a precedent more dangerous, say the press dispatches, than almost any in modern government. The threatened railway strike was based on demands for an increase in wages, which the companies protested they were unable to pay. The Zanardelli government has now introduced a bill providing for the payment of three-quarters of the disputed amount—\$6,500,000—from the public treasury. The Conservatives, rather than take the responsibility of forcing on the strike, will not oppose the bill, which is likely to pass. This astounding action, by which the national treasury grants under menace out of the receipts contributed by the taxpayers a large sum for the benefit of a particular group of workingmen, is the best sign of the times in Europe.

A dispatch in the papers from Yokohama, Japan, says the Chinese minister at Tokio has sent a strongly worded dispatch to Pekin, China, in which he advises his government to prohibit Chinese students from going to Japan, declaring that they would imbibe revolutionary ideas there. The world do move! The fact that staid, peaceful Japan, now that its people have been turned into machine-tenders by capitalism, is a hotbed of revolutionary ideas, is a very significant one.

Andrew Carnegie not long since spoke at an Eastern Y. M. C. A. and said among other things: "It is a cheering

fact that under present conditions the wages of labor tend to rise and the price of the necessities of life tends to fall." But the cheering fact in this claim of his is that the American wage-man from bitter every-day experience knows that the claim is not true, and is not therefore likely to be led astray by it.

The number of persons in the ranks of organized labor in New York state at the present time is over 270,000 as against 168,474 in 1897. There are 1881 unions and associations. In 1901 there were 12,768 idle trade union men, due partly to strikes and lockouts, but chargeable after all to the system under which work is carried on at the present time.

It is announced that Minnesota will be rechristened the Bread and Butter state, instead of the Gopher state, because of its milling and dairying supremacy. By virtue of the capitalist system most men, women and children are reduced to a state of bread and no butter, and Minnesota is no exception to the rule, you can be sure.

It is reported that women have been hired at 10 cents per hour to take the place of men who received double the wages in a branch of the Swift Packing company in Jersey City. Butchers fear that women will be put in still other branches of the plant.

The rich have no fear about the government helping them so long as they control government. What they do fear is that the working class, which creates wealth, may get control of government.

## EDITORIAL SHEARINGS.

The organized workers may agree to the employer's proposal to deal with his employees as "individuals" as soon as the employer agrees to abandon the trust, corporation, company and co-partnership and go back to the primitive relations of master and man. And that will be plenty soon enough.—*Coast Seaman's Journal*.

Laborers will never cease to be slaves so long as the right to live (to work) depends upon the consent of other men or corporations, or so long as they must pay tribute for the right to labor to anyone but their master.—*The Tailor*.

We notice that those labor unions that have in times past refused to allow the discussions of politics in their halls are now running largely to entertainments that they call athletic smokers. Some of these athletic smokers are not such as one would care to have his wife or his sister witness, but we hardly mean by this that these entertainments are altogether evil. But by the use of the smoker and the literary entertainment it will not be long, we imagine, till politics will be allowed in the unions. When that happens, and the results of these discussions begin to have their effect, then we may at once look for an immediate change for the better in the character of some of our public officials who are elected by the vote of the laboring men of this and other states.—*Colorado Chronicle*.

## Waylandisms.

There is a little article that everybody uses, and yet I never see advertised. I look over the daily and weekly press in vain to find where it can be purchased. On this they are as silent as the tomb. In vain I look at the signs on the street, or in the shop window for it. It is sold in every village and hamlet in the land, and yet no drummer ever carries samples of it and never takes an order for it. Its price never raises, and yet it pays handsomely all who deal in it. And strange to say there is usually but one place in a town that keeps it. There is always a supply of it—never too much nor too little. It is never taxed, no matter how many thousand dollars' worth are in stock. There has never been any corner or speculation in it, and its price at wholesale or retail is always just the same. It has never made a millionaire or a pauper. That little thing is a postage stamp, and if all articles were produced and handled in the same way there would be neither poverty, crime or insanity in the United States. Try it.

Is there anything different in the principle of furnishing free school buildings, free teachers, free heat and free supplies for children and the furnishing of free factories, free machinery and free exchange for the children when they grow up? In the last case the labor would produce the pay for the people—while in the first case there is only the education without wealth-production. When the public assumes direction of industries there will be no need of taxation for the support of officers—their labor will produce something with which to pay their allowance.

Under Socialism one child would not have to wear poor clothes while others dressed in fine linen, thus making the burden of life felt in childhood. All children would be equally well-dressed, well-fed, well-housed, well-instructed and well-entertained. We would have no classes. How many little heart-burnings have been caused by the difference in appearance of children. I myself have felt it keenly, when a ragged boy, because others despoiled my rightful inheritance of an opportunity to the needs of my childhood.

Again I ask the impudent question, why is it that the American people sympathize wholly with the Boers in their struggle for liberty; a struggle exactly like our American revolutionary fathers made against Britain, and the government of the country favors England in every way possible? Why is the government against what the people desire? You may answer this for yourself.

Under Socialism there will be no adulteration of any goods whatever. There would be no profit in such adulteration

to any person. Then why would people adulterate their own goods? Now nearly everything you buy is adulterated, because someone can profit by the doing of it. Is that plain or not?

Under Socialism the idea of children working to support their parents in enforced idleness would be considered insane, as it really is. Children will be in school. The father can produce and receive for his few hours enough wealth for the family to live in luxury. It will not go to support a lot of capitalists in extravagance, as it does now.

Be contented with your lot and you become an object slave. No wage-worker today can afford to be contented.

## Workingmen and the Commune.

The Commune! What a wealth of tragedy and of heroic memory the words recall! And what inspiration there is for us in the courage and constancy of the brave men and women who raised the red flag above the Hotel de Ville on that glorious March morning in 1871! All over the world, during the coming month, their deeds will be recalled, and millions of Socialists will honor the memory of that short-lived triumph of the proletariat. The story of the Commune, even now though oft told, in spite of the many blunders of the Communards themselves, and their ultimate defeat, forms, nevertheless, a great chapter in revolutionary annals. From the 18th of March, when the women urged on the soldiers at Montmartre, to the 21st of May, when the Versaillais troops forced an entry into the city and began that terrible carnage of blood and fire, in which so many thousands of men, women and children fell, victims to the relentless fury of the oppressors, Paris was governed better than at any time in its history. And that in spite of the extreme difficulties which beset the administration.

Let those superior persons who sneer at the aspirations of the workers and declare that they could "never administer the affairs of a great city" think of the Commune. What of Theitz, the workman who was placed at the head of the post-office? Working at ordinary artisan's wages, he reorganized that great institution—saying, incidentally, higher wages for shorter hours of labor to all employees—and the beneficial results of his administration are felt even today.

What of Camelot, the bronzereworker who took charge of the mint—of Jourde, clerk and accountant, who, at the head of the commission of finance, displayed so much sagacity? No, there is nothing done for the workers which they could not do equally well for themselves!

## Why Is It?

Mr. Workingman, did your employer, whether an individual or a corporation, ever seriously object to your voting either the Democratic or Republican ticket? Why, then, are you in such dread lest your boss finds out you are a Socialist? Because he knows, and you should know, that so long as you vote either of the tickets named by him, he has no fear of losing control of legislation. Because he knows, and you should know, that when once you lay aside your partisan prejudices and vote solidly for the party which represents your class—the working class—the power of your exploiter will be gone.—*The Liberator*.

Howard Tuttle will speak on the late election before the Milwaukee Liberal Club Sunday evening, at 421 Milwaukee street, third floor.

The First ward comrades will hold a meeting at 633 Market street next Monday evening.

## THE LOBBY IN WASHINGTON.

A shameful corrupting force that socialism will some day wipe out.

for it has become quite the proper thing for a congressman whose term has expired and who is desirous of remaining in Washington, to undertake to further the interests of some organization or corporation which is willing to pay well for the service. These men will be very much in evidence at the coming session, for in the case of many of the issues which will claim consideration this year the promoting can be done much more effectively by a man who "knows the ropes."

ATTORNEYS, NOT LOBBYISTS.

As a rule these ex-congressmen regard themselves simply as attorneys acting for clients and would be indignant if classed with the ordinary lobbyists who are supposed to be ever ready to accomplish things by any possible hook or crook. When ex-Speaker Reed appeared before the ways and means committee of the House of Representatives last winter to urge the removal of the war revenue tax from insurance papers there were many quiet smiles on the part of veteran members of the "Third House," for Mr. Reed when serving as speaker was the sworn foe of ex-members of the House who abused their privilege to the floor of the Hall of Representatives to engage in lobbying for bills, and he even went so far as to threaten to instruct the doorkeepers to bar them out.

A number of representatives of corporations are paid large salaries and live in elegant style, year in year out, in the most fashionable section of the national capital. Even the "free lance" promoters sometimes make fabulous sums, as, for instance, Maj. Stahlman of Nashville, Tenn., who is understood to have received some time since the sum of \$100,000 for getting through Congress for \$288,000.

WOMEN LOBBYISTS.

Women do not play as important a part in lobbying operations as they did before Speaker Reed ordered the closing of a reception room of which they had almost sole possession and where it was always convenient for them to meet congressmen. However, a number of attractive women who have an acquaintance with many congressmen are regularly employed by the professional lobbyists, the usual ruse employed being to have them call at the capitol and each send in a card requesting a brief interview with some one representative just at the time when an important bill is to be voted on and when the absence of one or two members may change the result.

New members are the particular prey of the unscrupulous lobbyists. They analyze a new-comer with the skill born of long experience, and govern themselves accordingly. Very seldom does one of these adroit manipulators of men risk alarming his quarry with the suggestion of a downright bribe, but the congressman is entertained at informal little dinner parties where he meets some very agreeable people, his social and political ambitions are furthered in a quiet, unobtrusive but effective manner, and mayhap he is even made the recipient of carefully selected presents, such as cases of old wine or boxes of high-priced cigars. If he manifests a willingness to accept such evidences of good-fellowship from a casual acquaintance.

The "Third House" has gained some very distinguished recruits of late years,

## Wanted—Assassins.

With apologies to the sensitive folk who believe in the Philippine disgrace.

Twenty-five thousand assassins more.

Written by English Ed.

To shoot and stab in the land of the Boer

For the price of beer and bread!

To murder the mother and child!

To burn the home to the ground!

And hunt like wild beasts through the wild.

The father—and hang him when found!

Atop to England's king.

For the job of a royal assassin!

A ration of food at your feet he'll fling,

And on you a ribbon may fasten!

He will arm you under the spile!

He will pray for you under the steple!

That you may be able to earn your hire,

And pilage and murder a people!

And teachers will tell of your worth

When you rest in blood your revel,

Till God for loathing sees not the earth,

And man for sin the curse of the devil!

Uphold the power of tinsel and can!

To awe and corrupt and bind,

Till we lack the wisdom of the ant,

And the love of the wolt for its kind!

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# GREAT GAINS FOR SOCIAL DEMOCRACY

Milwaukee In the Van-Guard with a Surprising Vote!

## OLD PARTIES AGHAST!

The Social Democrats of Milwaukee Cast Nearly 9000 Votes, Doubling Their Strength, and Are Now Ready for the Capture of the Political Power at the Next Election.

## NEWS FROM OTHER POINTS.

The result of the city election in Milwaukee was very gratifying to the Social Democrats, and the echoes of the contest will not have died away before the campaign will be renewed in anticipation of the Fall contest. The returns as they came in were received with great enthusiasm and satisfaction, and expressed at the evenness in the way in which our candidates ran. Our voters stood pat. Following are the tables and figures that tell the story, save as they may be increased by the recount.

FOR MAYOR.

Ward	rose	Anison, Tuttle, Rep.	S. D. Dem.
1	223	68	30
2	245	122	10
3	222	196	8
4	181	183	9
5	222	162	12
Total.	1,087	737	50
205	75	40	
246	90	47	
205	120	10	
244	110	14	
174	100	21	
196	140	21	
Total.	1,320	853	54
308	96	12	
182	61	12	
350	178	13	
265	74	4	
Total.	1,103	409	41
340	75	18	
414	125	42	
272	120	27	
327	143	19	
315	164	20	
Total.	1,862	829	49
233	55	17	
279	139	36	
304	107	48	
175	128	34	
252	90	51	
164	202	60	
Total.	1,277	721	38
302	101	31	
216	66	18	
218	112	31	
162	136	45	
140	107	50	
169	152	50	
170	127	33	
Total.	1,373	909	372
210	104	60	
219	258	27	
264	203	16	
101	141	2	
Total.	894	706	75
221	140	70	
210	122	45	
175	173	123	
249	251	123	
Total.	1,090	887	70
220	134	50	
218	205	50	
176	93	55	
272	127	63	
237	108	67	
201	221	10	
150	249	43	
Total.	1,037	1,070	92
243	163	100	
203	179	105	
130	107	50	
162	129	10	
184	204	10	
134	184	10	
100	182	10	
Total.	1,323	1,227	671
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Total.	1,571	1,323	823
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## SOCIALISTIC GLEANINGS.

## Dare Not Face Us.

At Des Moines, Ia., the Socialistic candidates challenged the candidates of the citizens' and the Republican tickets to a joint debate. Without exception the capitalistic candidates refused. Among other things the formal challenge said: "The Socialist party is opposed to granting any new franchises or extending any old ones. We are in favor of the city owning and operating its own street railways, so that the people will receive the profits instead of handing them over to the corporations. We are opposed to the contract labor system. We are in favor of public baths, closets and lavatories. We are in favor of compelling all hotels, theaters, tenement houses, audience rooms and public buildings to be fully equipped with fire escapes, doors and stairways. We are in favor of establishing reading rooms in various parts of the city. We are in favor of the civil service, the initiative and referendum, the recall, proportional representation and equal suffrage. We are in favor of the establishment of a free public employment bureau. We are opposed to the use of money, treats, carriages, etc., in elections. We are opposed to the establishment of an army post in this vicinity. We are in favor of the ultimate public ownership of the means of production and distribution. What do you stand for? Have you any principles? Or do you stand for spoils only?"

## From the National Headquarters.

Comrades in Lincoln, Neb., had to resort to mandamus proceedings to compel the city clerk to file their nominations for a city ticket. They won hands down, although both Republican and Democratic parties filed objections.

Both the old capitalistic parties combined against the Social Democrats at Plattsburgh, N. Y. The feeling runs high.

Because of the late strike and the position of the trade unions there is a possibility of a sweep by the Socialists in the Quinnipiac election.

It is reported from the St. Louis headquarters that Organized Boomer has reorganized Lehi, Silver City and Salt Lake City branches in Utah and that a convention will be held shortly to perfect a state organization.

A state charter has been granted to Colorado. A branch has been chartered at Lincoln and Nebraska City, and an application received from Wethersfield, Okla.

Contributions to national propaganda fund received as follows:

Amount reported to March 22, \$247.28
Dr. R. L. West, Monet, Mo. . . . .
Chas. Babbitt, St. Louis, Mo. . . . .
Wheeling, W. Va. . . . .
Tannton, Minn. . . . .
28th Assembly District, N. Y. . . . .
31st Ward Branch, Chicago, Ill. . . . .
Albany, Or. . . . .

Total received to March 29, \$269.33

## Sale of Fair Tickets.

Previously acknowledged	\$1,064.24
Ed. Krupp, City	1.40
Riskin, City	1.20
Alb. Mittelstedt, City	1.20
J. Schieben, City	1.20
Brewers Union, Newark, N. J.	1.25
Fred Schaus, City	1.20
Paul Ronneburg, Monroe, Wis.	1.20
Eleventh Ward Branch, City	1.25
Wm. Wimber, City	1.20
Gen. Merschede, City	1.00
J. Goedmann, City	1.00
Paul Gerhard, City	1.00
Aug. Priesterbach, St. Louis, Mo.	1.20
John Yarilly, City	1.20
Mrs. L. Krausfelder, City	1.20
Mrs. Louis Wiemar, City	1.20
E. B. Schwartz, City	1.20
Peter Berns, City	1.20

Total amount . . . . . \$1,063.39

## The Socialist Agitator.

Standing in the forefront of the conflict, it is upon the head of the Socialist agitator that the storm beats ever the fiercest. Just because he is standing in front; because he must be ever pressing forward into new and tried paths, he is peculiarly liable to error. Because he must be ever ready to defend his opinions he grows dogmatic. Since it is only through intensity that progress is made, he becomes narrower that he may strike the keenest blows. The old breadth of view, unbiased judgment and broad culture that he once cherished as his dearest mental equipment falls away from the constant hammering at one point. Old books and old friends alike drop out of his life, and the tragedy of vicious sacrifice is enacted once more in the human heart.

Because the world of capitalistic measures success only with the dollar mark, he is soon looked upon with pity by the friendly few, who do not understand that he had hoped to find his reward in the work itself, and with scorn by the many, who look upon him simply as a "failure." Over and over again this hydra-headed financial problem rises thwart his path. The strength of capitalistic, this question beats in upon him on every side from out the environment that gave it birth. Hurled back into that environment, Auta like, it gains strength with each rebound, and comes back with ever sharper darts and heavier blows.—The Comrade.

## A Shameful Situation.

In his testimony before the committee at the Congress, at Washington, Gov. W. H. Taft apologized for that "relief of barbarism," chattel slavery as it exists in portions of the Philippine archipelago. He admits that it is most unfortunate that the institution of slavery exists there, but he apologetically points out that its form is very mild—almost ideally patriarchal in fact. The slaves, also, he shows, are allowed to purchase their freedom; but he doesn't tell how, working for nothing, they can save the purchase price. Going further, he maintains that the slaves are "happy and contented" and would probably violently oppose any effort of misguided friends to emancipate them.

Commenting on Gov. Taft's testimony, the Louisville Courier-Journal pertinently remarks that "these are precisely the things that were said of American slavery in the days when it was 'under fire,' and that some of the Southern people are rather surprised that they have lived long enough to hear prominent members of the party which then attacked slavery apologizing for it in very much the same terms that were employed by Southern people forty-five or forty years ago."

## Who Are Faithful?

A writer in the Union Boot and Shoe Worker gives as one of the reasons why there have been so many battles between capital and labor the alleged fact that "labor in the past has been too unreliable to be worth dealing with." We enter our protest against this statement. Where workingmen's organizations have broken faith with capitalists once, capitalists have violated their most solemn promises a hundred times. Again and again, bound only by a sense of manly honor, labor organizations have allowed favorable opportunities for battle to go

by, rather than lay themselves open to the charge of bad faith. And the answer, "We have nothing to arbitrate," has come always from the employers, not from the employees. If the capitalists are eager for arbitration now, it is chiefly because they fear the growing strength and unrest of the working class. A robber class respects nothing but the show of power. The day may not be far distant when the workers will receive their exploiters in turn, "We have nothing to arbitrate." Meanwhile, let the Sun and its ilk go on accusing the working class of faithlessness, but let papers not echo the falsehood.—Worker.

## The Submerged.

How are you going to reckon, oh, appraisers, with those you have starved and tried to drive from the earth? When the tramps and the dwellers in the shacks, and the extremely poor, and those you have forced into penury, How are you going to answer, oh, appraisers, when they shall accuse you of shooting the crane, And of living off the profit of their crushed souls and bodies? There is hope for all the down-trodden, and the crushed, the victims of a criminal social usage.

But where is your hope, ye riders of men, in the days that are shortly coming upon you?—Exchange.

A mass meeting will be held at Heim's hall, 726 Chestnut street, Milwaukee, April 12, by the Bakers' union, to agitate for a ten-hour day and a raise of wages to \$14 for first-class bakers.

An important meeting of the Milwaukee central committee, S. I. P., will be held on Monday evening, April 17, at Kaiser's hall, Fourth street.

MILWAUKEE COUNTY COURT—IN PROBATE—STATE OF WISCONSIN, Milwaukee, cognizant, ss.—In the matter of the last will and testament of Charles Brachhausen, deceased.

Whereas, an instrument in writing, purporting to be the last will and testament of Charles Brachhausen, deceased, late of Milwaukee county, has been delivered and deposited with the above named court; and whereas, application has been made by Charles E. Brandt, the executor named in said last will and testament, to probate the same, and proved and admitted to probate, according to the laws of this state, and that letters testamentary be granted thereon according to law to said Charles E. Brandt.

It is ordered, that said application be heard before this court on a regular term to be held in the county court room at the court house in the city of Milwaukee, on the first Tuesday of May, A. D. 1902, at 9 o'clock a. m., or as soon thereafter as the same may be reached on the calendar.

And it is further ordered, that notice of said application and hearing be given by publishing a copy of this order for three weeks successively, once in each week, in the Social Democratic Herald, a newspaper printed in said city, prior to said hearing, and by serving a copy of this order personally on Albert Frock, the attorney for the minors interested in said estate, at least ten days prior to said day of hearing.

Dated this 27th day of March, 1902.

By the court: CASIMIR GONSKI, Register of Probate.

Richard Elsner, Attorney of Estate.

NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE—Leon Greenbaum, Room 427, Emilie Bldg. St. Louis, Mo.

STATE EXECUTIVE BOARD—State Secretary, E. H. Thomas, 614 State street Milwaukee, Wis.

THE CITY CENTRAL COMMITTEE meets every first and third Monday evening of the month at 801 Kaiser's hall, 204 Fourth street. Eugene H. Rooney, secretary; John Doerfler, treasurer, 701 Winnebago street.

It is Ordered, That the time from the date of October 1, A. D. 1902, be and the same is hereby fixed with the same effect as the date of the said John Wimber, deceased, shall present their claim for examination and allowance.

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